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(2E)-1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one

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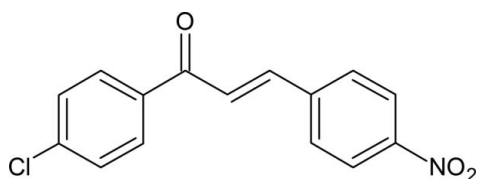
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Key indicators: single-crystal X-ray study; $T = 173$ K; mean $\sigma(\text{C}—\text{C}) = 0.005$ Å; R factor = 0.048; wR factor = 0.100; data-to-parameter ratio = 13.9.

In the title compound, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClNO}_3$, a substituted chalcone, the dihedral angle between the benzene rings is $5.1(7)^\circ$. The nitro group makes a dihedral angle of $12.5(3)^\circ$ with the benzene ring to which it is attached. In the crystal, weak $\text{C}—\text{H} \cdots \text{O}$ interactions link the molecules into a one-dimensional array along $[010]$. The crystal studied was an inversion twin, with a refined ratio for the twin components of 0.6060 (9):0.3939 (1).

Related literature

For the biochemical activity of chalcones, see: Dimmock *et al.* (1999). For different chalcone derivatives, see: Samshuddin *et al.* (2010); Fun *et al.* (2010*a,b*); Jasinski *et al.* (2010*a,b*); Baktr *et al.* (2011*a,b*). For related structures, see: Jing (2009); Jasinski *et al.* (2008, 2010*a,b*); Fun *et al.* (2011); Sarojini *et al.* (2007); Ma (2007).



Experimental

Crystal data

$\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{10}\text{ClNO}_3$
 $M_r = 287.69$
Orthorhombic, $Pna2_1$
 $a = 42.9266(17)$ Å
 $b = 5.9741(3)$ Å
 $c = 5.0680(2)$ Å
 $V = 1299.68(10)$ Å³
 $Z = 4$
Cu $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 2.67$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 173$ K
 $0.42 \times 0.08 \times 0.04$ mm

Data collection

Agilent Xcalibur (Eos, Gemini) diffractometer
Absorption correction: multi-scan (*CrysAlis PRO* and *CrysAlis RED*; Agilent, 2012)
 $T_{\min} = 0.803$, $T_{\max} = 1.000$

12814 measured reflections
2538 independent reflections
2481 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.037$

Refinement

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.048$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.100$
 $S = 1.14$
2538 reflections
182 parameters

1 restraint
H-atom parameters constrained
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.22$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.39$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D—H \cdots A$	$D—H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D—H \cdots A$
$\text{C12}—\text{H12} \cdots \text{O2}^{\text{i}}$	0.93	2.69	3.304 (4)	125
$\text{C14}—\text{H14} \cdots \text{O1}^{\text{ii}}$	0.93	2.53	3.219 (4)	131

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x + 1, -y - 1, z + \frac{1}{2}$; (ii) $x, y + 1, z - 1$.

Data collection: *CrysAlis PRO* (Agilent, 2012); cell refinement: *CrysAlis PRO*; data reduction: *CrysAlis PRO*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL2012* (Sheldrick, 2008); molecular graphics: *Olex2* (Dolomanov *et al.*, 2009); software used to prepare material for publication: *Olex2*.

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S1. Comment

Chalcones can be easily obtained from the Claisen-Schmidt reaction of aromatic aldehydes and aromatic ketones. Chalcones have been reported to possess many useful properties including anti-inflammatory, antimicrobial, antifungal, antioxidant, cytotoxic, antitumour and anticancer activities (Dimmock *et al.* 1999). The basic skeleton of chalcones which possess α,β -unsaturated carbonyl group is useful synthone for the synthesis of various biodynamic cyclic derivatives such as pyrazoline, benzodiazepine and cyclohexenone derivatives (Samshuddin *et al.*, 2010; Fun *et al.*, 2010*a,b*; Jasinski *et al.*, 2010*a*; Baktır *et al.*, 2011*a,b*). The crystal structures of some of chalcones containing nitro group, viz., (E)-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-one (Jing, 2009), (2E)-3-(4-methylphenyl)-1-(3-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (Jasinski *et al.*, 2008), (2E)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-1-(3-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (Sarojini *et al.*, 2007); (2E)-1-(2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-3-(3-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (Fun *et al.*, 2011) and (E)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-(3-nitrophenyl)prop-2-en-1-one (Ma, 2007) have been reported. In continuation of our work on synthesis of chalcones (Jasinski *et al.*, 2010*b*) we report here in the crystal structure of the title compound $C_{15}H_{10}ClNO_3$, (I).

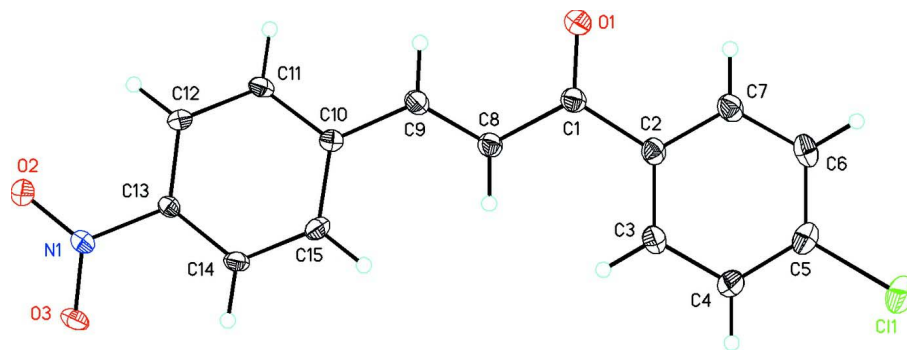
In (I), the dihedral angle between the mean planes of the 4-chlorophenyl and 4-nitrophenyl rings is $5.1(7)^\circ$ (Fig. 1). The nitro group makes a dihedral angle of $12.5(3)^\circ$ with the plane of the benzene to which it is bonded. In the crystal, weak C—H \cdots N intermolecular interactions are observed and contribute to packing stability (Fig. 2). The crystal studied was an inversion twin, the refined ratio of the twin components being 0.6060 (9):0.3939 (1).

S2. Experimental

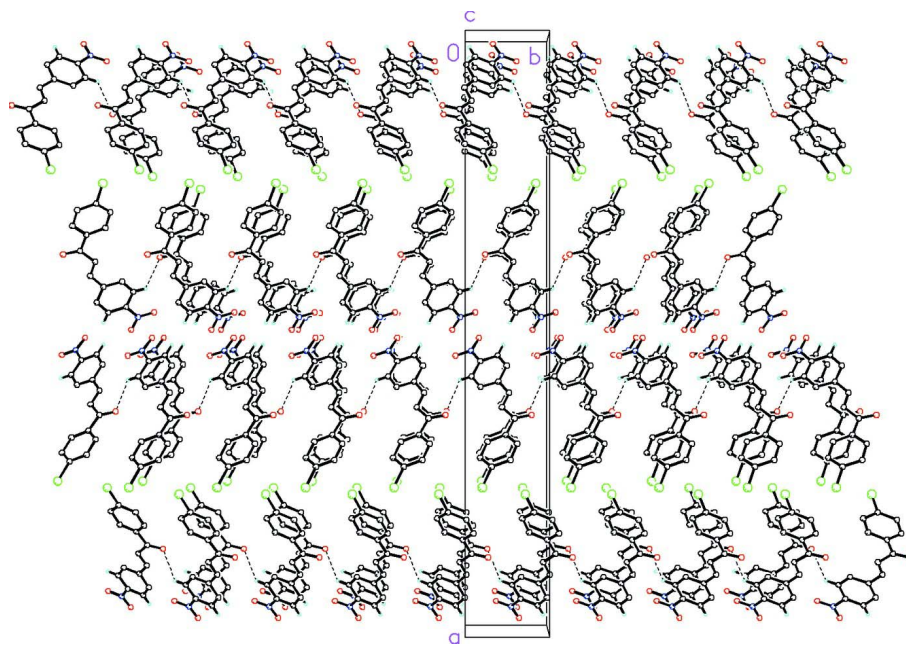
To a mixture of 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (1.51 g, 0.01 mol) and 4-chloroacetophenone (1.54 g, 0.01 mol) in ethanol (50 ml), 10 ml of 10% sodium hydroxide solution was added and stirred at 278–283 K for 3 hours (Fig. 3). The precipitate formed was collected by filtration and purified by recrystallization from ethanol. Single crystals were grown from acetone by the slow evaporation method (m.p.: 413–418 K).

S3. Refinement

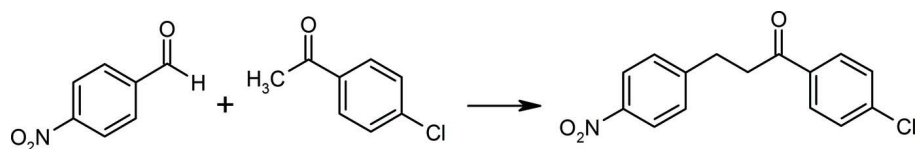
All of the H atoms were placed in their calculated positions and then refined using the riding model with Atom—H lengths of 0.93 Å (CH). Isotropic displacement parameters for these atoms were set to 1.2 (CH) times U_{eq} of the parent atom.

**Figure 1**

Molecular structure of the title compound showing the atom labeling scheme and 30% probability displacement ellipsoids.

**Figure 2**

Packing diagram of the title compound viewed along the *c* axis. Dashed lines indicate weak C—H...O intermolecular interactions. H atoms not involved as weak intermolecular interactions have been deleted for clarity.

**Figure 3**

Reaction scheme.

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Cell parameters from 5168 reflections

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 $0.42 \times 0.08 \times 0.04$ mm

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2481 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.037$ $\theta_{\max} = 89.4^\circ$, $\theta_{\min} = 7.5^\circ$ $h = -55 \rightarrow 55$ $k = -7 \rightarrow 7$ $l = -4 \rightarrow 6$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2

Least-squares matrix: full

 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.048$ $wR(F^2) = 0.100$ $S = 1.14$

2538 reflections

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Hydrogen site location: inferred from
neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0202P)^2 + 1.4764P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.22$ e Å⁻³ $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.39$ e Å⁻³Absolute structure: Refined as an inversion
twin.

Absolute structure parameter: 0.39 (3)

Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

Refinement. Refined as a 2-component inversion twin.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å²)

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Cl1	0.25813 (2)	−0.1905 (2)	1.5999 (3)	0.0500 (3)
O1	0.36902 (7)	−0.7676 (5)	0.9840 (8)	0.0475 (9)
O2	0.49287 (6)	−0.1656 (4)	−0.2914 (6)	0.0318 (6)
O3	0.46280 (6)	0.1223 (4)	−0.2523 (6)	0.0325 (6)
N1	0.47115 (6)	−0.0656 (5)	−0.1880 (6)	0.0233 (6)
C1	0.36318 (8)	−0.5698 (6)	0.9597 (9)	0.0275 (8)
C2	0.33781 (7)	−0.4654 (6)	1.1220 (9)	0.0263 (7)
C3	0.32630 (8)	−0.2524 (6)	1.0729 (9)	0.0326 (9)

H3	0.3351	−0.1653	0.9406	0.039*
C4	0.30164 (9)	−0.1685 (7)	1.2203 (9)	0.0359 (9)
H4	0.2936	−0.0270	1.1850	0.043*
C5	0.28918 (8)	−0.2975 (7)	1.4195 (9)	0.0317 (9)
C6	0.30051 (9)	−0.5094 (7)	1.4746 (9)	0.0340 (9)
H6	0.2918	−0.5950	1.6091	0.041*
C7	0.32480 (8)	−0.5907 (7)	1.3268 (9)	0.0311 (9)
H7	0.3328	−0.7320	1.3639	0.037*
C8	0.38006 (8)	−0.4296 (6)	0.7654 (8)	0.0263 (8)
H8	0.3743	−0.2807	0.7436	0.032*
C9	0.40321 (7)	−0.5122 (6)	0.6217 (9)	0.0258 (7)
H9	0.4088	−0.6602	0.6527	0.031*
C10	0.42078 (7)	−0.3904 (5)	0.4177 (7)	0.0204 (7)
C11	0.44691 (8)	−0.4917 (5)	0.3052 (8)	0.0238 (7)
H11	0.4531	−0.6323	0.3636	0.029*
C12	0.46373 (7)	−0.3858 (5)	0.1074 (8)	0.0220 (7)
H12	0.4811	−0.4538	0.0320	0.026*
C13	0.45406 (7)	−0.1771 (5)	0.0260 (7)	0.0188 (7)
C14	0.42835 (7)	−0.0721 (5)	0.1327 (8)	0.0242 (7)
H14	0.4223	0.0688	0.0737	0.029*
C15	0.41184 (8)	−0.1789 (6)	0.3268 (8)	0.0261 (8)
H15	0.3944	−0.1097	0.3993	0.031*

Atomic displacement parameters (Å²)

	U^{11}	U^{22}	U^{33}	U^{12}	U^{13}	U^{23}
Cl1	0.0414 (5)	0.0599 (7)	0.0487 (6)	0.0036 (5)	0.0136 (5)	−0.0095 (7)
O1	0.0412 (15)	0.0303 (14)	0.071 (2)	0.0065 (12)	0.0231 (16)	0.0156 (16)
O2	0.0357 (14)	0.0297 (13)	0.0301 (15)	0.0025 (10)	0.0093 (12)	0.0015 (12)
O3	0.0381 (14)	0.0251 (13)	0.0343 (16)	0.0044 (10)	0.0002 (12)	0.0136 (13)
N1	0.0264 (14)	0.0223 (13)	0.0213 (16)	−0.0014 (11)	−0.0021 (12)	0.0037 (12)
C1	0.0201 (16)	0.0260 (17)	0.036 (2)	−0.0017 (13)	−0.0007 (15)	0.0055 (17)
C2	0.0204 (14)	0.0298 (18)	0.0286 (19)	−0.0037 (12)	−0.0013 (16)	0.0020 (18)
C3	0.0343 (18)	0.032 (2)	0.031 (2)	−0.0026 (15)	0.0078 (18)	0.0044 (19)
C4	0.0338 (19)	0.0298 (18)	0.044 (3)	0.0037 (15)	0.0088 (19)	−0.0001 (19)
C5	0.0233 (16)	0.039 (2)	0.033 (2)	−0.0030 (15)	−0.0001 (16)	−0.0133 (18)
C6	0.0293 (18)	0.043 (2)	0.029 (2)	−0.0116 (17)	0.0002 (17)	0.005 (2)
C7	0.0252 (17)	0.0332 (19)	0.035 (2)	−0.0038 (14)	−0.0031 (16)	0.0070 (18)
C8	0.0228 (16)	0.0266 (17)	0.029 (2)	−0.0004 (13)	0.0001 (15)	0.0043 (17)
C9	0.0240 (15)	0.0263 (16)	0.0271 (19)	−0.0012 (13)	−0.0001 (16)	0.0059 (18)
C10	0.0188 (14)	0.0201 (15)	0.0223 (18)	−0.0006 (12)	−0.0033 (13)	0.0003 (14)
C11	0.0261 (16)	0.0184 (15)	0.027 (2)	0.0011 (12)	−0.0018 (14)	0.0059 (16)
C12	0.0220 (14)	0.0189 (14)	0.0252 (18)	0.0030 (12)	−0.0021 (15)	−0.0006 (16)
C13	0.0206 (14)	0.0187 (14)	0.0172 (17)	−0.0016 (12)	−0.0021 (12)	0.0017 (13)
C14	0.0256 (15)	0.0188 (15)	0.028 (2)	0.0034 (12)	−0.0015 (15)	0.0053 (16)
C15	0.0228 (16)	0.0236 (16)	0.032 (2)	0.0053 (13)	0.0019 (15)	−0.0025 (17)

Geometric parameters (Å, °)

C11—C5	1.738 (4)	C7—H7	0.9300
O1—C1	1.214 (4)	C8—C9	1.327 (5)
O2—N1	1.225 (4)	C8—H8	0.9300
O3—N1	1.222 (4)	C9—C10	1.472 (5)
N1—C13	1.469 (4)	C9—H9	0.9300
C1—C8	1.482 (5)	C10—C11	1.397 (5)
C1—C2	1.501 (5)	C10—C15	1.398 (5)
C2—C3	1.388 (5)	C11—C12	1.388 (5)
C2—C7	1.396 (5)	C11—H11	0.9300
C3—C4	1.389 (5)	C12—C13	1.377 (4)
C3—H3	0.9300	C12—H12	0.9300
C4—C5	1.378 (6)	C13—C14	1.380 (4)
C4—H4	0.9300	C14—C15	1.370 (5)
C5—C6	1.384 (6)	C14—H14	0.9300
C6—C7	1.372 (6)	C15—H15	0.9300
C6—H6	0.9300		
O3—N1—O2	123.8 (3)	C9—C8—C1	121.4 (3)
O3—N1—C13	117.8 (3)	C9—C8—H8	119.3
O2—N1—C13	118.3 (3)	C1—C8—H8	119.3
O1—C1—C8	121.1 (4)	C8—C9—C10	125.8 (3)
O1—C1—C2	119.9 (3)	C8—C9—H9	117.1
C8—C1—C2	119.0 (3)	C10—C9—H9	117.1
C3—C2—C7	118.9 (4)	C11—C10—C15	118.5 (3)
C3—C2—C1	122.7 (4)	C11—C10—C9	119.0 (3)
C7—C2—C1	118.4 (3)	C15—C10—C9	122.5 (3)
C2—C3—C4	120.4 (4)	C12—C11—C10	121.0 (3)
C2—C3—H3	119.8	C12—C11—H11	119.5
C4—C3—H3	119.8	C10—C11—H11	119.5
C5—C4—C3	119.2 (4)	C13—C12—C11	118.2 (3)
C5—C4—H4	120.4	C13—C12—H12	120.9
C3—C4—H4	120.4	C11—C12—H12	120.9
C4—C5—C6	121.5 (4)	C12—C13—C14	122.4 (3)
C4—C5—C11	118.5 (3)	C12—C13—N1	118.8 (3)
C6—C5—C11	120.0 (3)	C14—C13—N1	118.9 (3)
C7—C6—C5	118.7 (4)	C15—C14—C13	118.9 (3)
C7—C6—H6	120.6	C15—C14—H14	120.5
C5—C6—H6	120.6	C13—C14—H14	120.5
C6—C7—C2	121.3 (4)	C14—C15—C10	121.0 (3)
C6—C7—H7	119.3	C14—C15—H15	119.5
C2—C7—H7	119.3	C10—C15—H15	119.5
O1—C1—C2—C3	−168.6 (4)	C8—C9—C10—C11	172.5 (4)
C8—C1—C2—C3	9.6 (6)	C8—C9—C10—C15	−9.2 (6)
O1—C1—C2—C7	9.9 (6)	C15—C10—C11—C12	0.0 (5)
C8—C1—C2—C7	−172.0 (3)	C9—C10—C11—C12	178.3 (3)

C7—C2—C3—C4	−1.9 (6)	C10—C11—C12—C13	0.4 (5)
C1—C2—C3—C4	176.5 (4)	C11—C12—C13—C14	−0.4 (5)
C2—C3—C4—C5	1.4 (7)	C11—C12—C13—N1	−178.4 (3)
C3—C4—C5—C6	−0.5 (6)	O3—N1—C13—C12	−177.9 (3)
C3—C4—C5—C11	−179.5 (3)	O2—N1—C13—C12	2.1 (5)
C4—C5—C6—C7	0.3 (6)	O3—N1—C13—C14	4.1 (5)
C11—C5—C6—C7	179.2 (3)	O2—N1—C13—C14	−176.0 (3)
C5—C6—C7—C2	−0.9 (6)	C12—C13—C14—C15	0.1 (5)
C3—C2—C7—C6	1.7 (6)	N1—C13—C14—C15	178.1 (3)
C1—C2—C7—C6	−176.8 (4)	C13—C14—C15—C10	0.3 (6)
O1—C1—C8—C9	−3.7 (6)	C11—C10—C15—C14	−0.3 (5)
C2—C1—C8—C9	178.3 (4)	C9—C10—C15—C14	−178.6 (4)
C1—C8—C9—C10	177.8 (3)		

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °)

<i>D</i> —H \cdots <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H	H \cdots <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> \cdots <i>A</i>	<i>D</i> —H \cdots <i>A</i>
C12—H12 \cdots O2 ⁱ	0.93	2.69	3.304 (4)	125
C14—H14 \cdots O1 ⁱⁱ	0.93	2.53	3.219 (4)	131

Symmetry codes: (i) $-x+1, -y-1, z+1/2$; (ii) $x, y+1, z-1$.